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MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 2004 AT 5:30 PM

CITIZENS' TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER
111 NW FIRST STREET
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128
COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

REVISED AGENDA

- I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - Meeting of May 26, 2004
- III. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT** (*time limit 3 minutes each speaker*)
- V. DRAFT RESOLUTIONS**
 - A. RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITIZENS INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) HOLD ITS MEETINGS IN THE EVENINGS TO ENSURE ADEQUATE CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**
 - B. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MIAMI DADE TRANSIT CUSTOMER INFORMATION NETWORK (CIN) THAT WILL UPGRADE THE CURRENT TELEPHONE SYSTEM AND RECOMMENDING THE HIRING OF ADDITIONAL STAFF TO HANDLE THE INCREASE IN SERVICE - *Rosie Perez, MDT***
- VI. INFORMATION ITEMS**
 - A. MUNICIPAL TRANSIT CIRCULATORS UPDATE – *Robert Pearsall, MDT***
 - B. KROME AVENUE PRESENTATION – *Alice Bravo, FDOT***
 - C. LRTP PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT WORKSHOPS – *Elizabeth Rockwell, MPO***
- VII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE**
- VIII. CTAC SECRETARIAT'S REPORT**
- IX. MEMBER REPORTS ON OTHER MEETINGS RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION**
- X. NEW BUSINESS TO BE PLACED ON THE CTAC WORKING LIST**
- XI. MEETING DATES**

A. CTAC Subcommittee	7/14/04
B. CTAC Full Committee	7/28/04
C. MPO Governing Board	7/29/04
D. TPC	7/12/04
E. TPTAC	7/7/04
F. BPAC	7/28/04
G. TARC	7/14/04
H. LRTP	7/27/04
I. CITT	7/28/04
- XII. ADJOURNMENT**

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SUMMARY OF MINUTES

MEETING OF WEDNESDAY JUNE 30, 2004

CTAC ATTENDANCE:

Mike Hatcher, Chair
Norman Wartman, First Vice-Chair
Naomi Wright, Second Vice-Chair
Rolando Acosta
Andrew Burgess
Willie Duckworth
Daniel Fils-Aime
Joe Fontana
Hudson Gaulman, Jr.
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Ramon Ramos

OTHERS PRESENT:

Elizabeth Rockwell, CTAC Secretariat
Paul Chance, MPO
Juanda Ferguson, Citizen
Robert Zimmerman, Citizen
Canastasis Silver, Citizen
Mike Robinson, Citizen
William Gardner, Jr., Citizen
Evelyn Harber, Citizen
Mike Robinson, Citizen Pat & John Wade, Citizens
J.G. Garrido, Silver Bluff Home Ass., Vice President
Alberto Santamarino, Silver Bluff Home Ass.
Anmardo Gelpi, Silver Bluff Home Ass.
Gary Harber, Silver Bluff Home Ass.
Rosalie Gelpi, Silver Bluff Home Ass.
Miles Moss, CITT

Alice Bravo, FDOT
Vilma Croft, FDOT
Monica Diaz, FDOT
Ruby Adams, MDT
Jackie Bailey, MDT
Rosie Perez, MDT
Robert Pearsall, MDT
Seraphin Bernard, MDT
Patricia Rosemond, OCITT
Damilo Martinez, P&R
Julio Boucle, URS
Ana Sandoval, URS
Mike Ciscar, Corradino Group
Raul Driggs, Metric Engineering

Mr. Mike Hatcher, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting and recognized quorum.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mac Glasgow moved the agenda and the motion was seconded by Martin Nash. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Joe Fontana requested that the May 26, 2004 minutes reflect that he inquired to Mr. Roosevelt Bradley, MDT Director, the option of Miami-Dade taking over the Miami Beach's Electrowave shuttle system. Mr. Bradley's response was that there is a study currently being done and he will let CTAC know the results when they are concluded.

Joe Fontana moved for the approval of the minutes as amended and the motion was seconded by Mac Glasgow. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

III. WELCOME NEW CTAC MEMBERS

The Chair welcomed Hudson Gaulman as a new member to CTAC. Mr. Gaulman was appointed by MPO Board Member and Chair Dr. Barbara M. Carey-Shuler.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

J.C. Garrido, who represents Silver Bluff and Miami Neighborhood United, has a serious concern regarding safety in the Silver Bluff neighborhood. The group he represents would like assistance from CTAC in trying to find solutions to the massive development that is overcrowding their neighborhood. "Traffic congestion is unbearable," said Mr. Garrido. They have a lot of transportation issues and they believe the City of Miami is not doing what is necessary to solve their transportation issues. CTAC Chair, Mike Hatcher, suggested that Mr. Garrido work with the Secretariat and come to the next Subcommittee meeting so CTAC can get the appropriate departments to address their concerns.

Evelyn Harber, a Silver Bluff resident, echoed the same concerns Mr. Garrido had. Ms. Harber wants traffic studies, traffic calming devices, increase enforcement, and street closures for the Silver Bluff area. She stated the neighborhood is very densely populated and the traffic concerns are not being addressed.

Robert Zimmerman expressed concerns for parking, traffic, and pedestrian safety on the bridges connecting to Watson Island if the new Island Gardens Hotel is built. The Chair reiterated that Mr. Zimmerman work with the Secretariat to determine the appropriate departments to address his concerns.

Mike Robinson addressed the Urban Development Boundary (UDB) south of 184 Street in Florida City. He asked the Committee to draft a Resolution to recommend to the MPO not to extend the UDB and also suggested the UDB should be amendable every ten years instead of every two years.

V. DRAFT RESOLUTION

A. RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITIZENS INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) HOLD ITS MEETINGS IN THE EVENINGS TO ENSURE ADEQUATE CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

The draft Resolution was presented to the Committee. After much debate over how to present this Resolution and its potential harm to the relationship between the two committees if presented in a “bullish” manner, the Chair decided to table the Resolution. He then directed staff to prepare a letter to the CITT Chair discussing the matter.

B. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MIAMI DADE TRANSIT CONSUMER INFORMATION NETWORK (CIN) THAT WILL UPGRADE THE CURRENT TELEPHONE SYSTEM AND RECOMMENDING THE HIRING OF ADDITIONAL STAFF TO HANDLE THE INCREASE IN SERVICE.

Jackie Bailey, MDT Customer Supervisor, updated the Committee on the Consumer Information Network (CIN) along with the hiring of additional personnel to become more effective and efficient with customers. Rosie Perez from MDT also was on hand to answer questions.

A motion was made by Norman Wartman to adopt the draft Resolution and was seconded by Naomi Wright. Upon being put to a vote, the motion was passed unanimously.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. MUNICIPAL TRANSIT CIRCULATORS UPDATE

Robert Pearsall, MDT Manager of Service Planning, discussed the process, possibilities, and the success of transit circulators in the various municipalities. He explained if a city wanted to operate a circulator, 70 percent of the routing miles must be in the city limits and if the city contracted with an operator there has to be an Interlocal Agreement in place. There was a small answer and question period that followed.

B. KROME AVENUE PRESENTATION

Alice Bravo, District Environmental Manager Engineer from the Florida Department of Transportation District 6 and her consultants conducted a presentation on Krome Avenue. There are two separate PD&E studies currently being conducted; Krome Avenue North and Krome Avenue South. They are both in the preliminary phases of collecting data. The presentation consisted of background information, history of the corridor, and present improvements that have been constructed and some that are about to be constructed. They also explained the purpose of the studies, gave more details about the characteristics, and why the projects are separate. There was a short answer and question period that followed the presentation.

C. LRTP WORKSHOPS

Ms. Elizabeth Rockwell explained the logistics for the upcoming Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Workshops. The Chair recommended that there be a workshop held in the City of Miami. Ms. Rockwell agreed to set up that workshop.

VII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE

Mr. Hatcher informed the Committee that staff is in the process of setting up a tour of the new FDOT Sun-Guide Transportation Management Center to be held before the November CTAC meeting. He would like to take a tour of the facility and then hold the CTAC meeting next door at the FDOT District Office Auditorium where FDOT can present their major projects.

He gave an update to the Committee on the MDT Bulletin regarding suspension of drivers who are caught talking on their cell phones while driving a bus.

Mr. Hatcher informed members during the last CTAC Subcommittee meeting regarding the UDB, the two DRIs presented are currently dormant. Once the DRIs are submitted, CTAC will be informed and action can then take place. He felt it may be premature to send a Resolution at this point with no amendments to the UDB in the works. It is thought that the Florida City DRI will be submitted February 2005, but not certain. He instructed staff to keep on top of this and bring in Mr. Woerner once a DRI has been submitted.

VIII. CTAC SECRETARIAT'S REPORT

Ms. Rockwell reminded CTAC members that there is an MDT Marketing Workshop July 1st from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Main Library Auditorium of the Miami-Dade Public Library System, 101 West Flagler Street, Downtown Miami. She asked that everyone make every effort to attend this important meeting.

Ms. Rockwell also passed out a wheelchair accessible cab list provided by the Department of Consumer Services.

IX. MEMBER REPORTS ON OTHER MEETINGS RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION

Mac Glasgow reported to the Committee that the selection committee recommended the basic contract for STS to be approved and extended for five years. He also suggested that the Bulletin discussing the suspension of bus drivers caught on their cell phones be forwarded to the companies and drivers for Paratransit.

Naomi Wright reported from the CITT meeting: There was a legal interpretation from the County regarding the expenditures that were granted to the CITT. She has requested staff to obtain a copy for the Committee. She also informed the Committee that the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) was attempting to secure funds for an east-west commuter route, however the CITT said they could not do it accept by amendment. "By amendment", is something she thinks the Committee should look into.

X. NEW BUSINESS TO BE PLACED ON THE CTAC WORKING LIST

No new business.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

*****MINUTES ARE IN SUMMARY FORM*****

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